

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF ARIZONA – FLAGSTAFF**

United States of America
v.
Samuel Rappylee Bateman

Case Number: CR-22-08092-01-PCT-CDB

ORDER OF DETENTION PENDING TRIAL

In accordance with the Bail Reform Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f), a detention hearing has been held. I have considered all the factors set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3142(g). I conclude that the following facts are established: *(Check one or both, as applicable.)*

- ☒ by clear and convincing evidence the defendant is a danger to the community and detention of the defendant is required pending trial in this case.
- ☒ by a preponderance of the evidence the defendant is a flight risk and detention of the defendant is required pending trial in this case.

PART I – FINDINGS OF FACT

- ☐ (1) There is probable cause to believe that the defendant has committed
 - ☐ a drug offense for which a maximum term of imprisonment of ten years or more is prescribed in 21 U.S.C. §§ 801 et seq., 951 et seq., or 46 U.S.C. App. § 1901 et seq.
 - ☐ an offense under 18 U.S.C. §§ 924(c), 956(a), or 2332(b).
 - ☐ an offense listed in 18 U.S.C. § 2332b(g)(5)(B) (Federal crimes of terrorism) for which a maximum term of imprisonment of ten years or more is prescribed.
 - ☐ an offense involving a minor victim prescribed in .
 - ☐ an offense for which a maximum term of imprisonment of 20 years or more is prescribed pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 1581-1584, 1589-1591 (Slavery and Sex Trafficking).
- ☐ (2) The defendant has not rebutted the presumption established by finding 1 that no condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure the appearance of the defendant as required and the safety of the community or any person.

Alternative Findings

- ☒ (1) There is a serious risk that the defendant will flee; no condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure the appearance of the defendant as required.
- ☒ (2) No condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure the safety of others and the community.
- ☒ (3) There is a serious risk that the defendant will obstruct or attempt to obstruct justice; or threaten, injure, or intimidate a prospective witness or juror.
- ☐ (4) [Click here to enter text.](#)

PART II – WRITTEN STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DETENTION*(Check as applicable.)*

- ☒ (1) I find that the credible testimony and information submitted at the hearing establishes by clear and convincing evidence as to danger that: Based on the nature of the underlying federal investigation which is alleged to have been obstructed in the instant matter, there are concerns about the safety of young girls. The nature of the instant charge also raises concerns as to the Defendant's lack of concern for the Rule of Law. The defendant's arrest history relates to young girls being transported to an unknown location in an enclosed trailer which enhances concerns for the safety of the community.
- ☒ (2) I find by a preponderance of the evidence as to risk of flight that:
- ☐ The defendant has no significant contacts in the District of Arizona.
 - ☐ The defendant has insufficient resources in the United States from which he/she might make a bond reasonably calculated to assure his/her future appearance.
 - ☒ The defendant has a prior criminal history.
 - ☐ There is a record of prior failure(s) to appear in court as ordered.
 - ☐ The defendant attempted to evade law enforcement contact by fleeing from law enforcement.
 - ☐ The defendant has a history of substance abuse.
 - ☒ The defendant is facing a maximum incarceration of 60 years.
 - ☒ The defendant has ties to a foreign country.
 - ☐ The defendant has used aliases or multiple dates of birth or false identifying information.
 - ☐ The defendant was on probation, parole, or supervised release at the time of the alleged offense.
 - ☒ In addition: Defendant has a group of followers willing to provide extensive material and other assistance on short notice. These are also the ones who the actions in the instant matter, to destroy evidence, were targeted. Defendant is an admitted pilot and "survivalist" which raise concerns about his ability to flee. Additionally, he has recently instructed his followers to obtain passports for the young girls and women in his group of followers for reasons that are unclear. Defendant has begun traveling internationally in the last three years and is likely to have contacts and followers in these areas. Given the nature of the alleged federal investigation and the instant charges the court has little reason to believe that the defendant would follow any orders of this court or to appear for these serious charges.
- ☒ (3) The defendant does not dispute the information contained in the Pretrial Services Report, except:
- None.
- ☒ (4) The weight of the evidence against the defendant is great.

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Based on the proffer of the United States the evidence of guilt in this case are preserved in jail calls which makes the evidence against the defendant strong.

The Court incorporates by reference the findings in the Pretrial Services Report which were reviewed by the Court at the time of the hearing in this matter.

PART III – DIRECTIONS REGARDING DETENTION

The defendant is committed to the custody of the Attorney General or his/her designated representative for confinement in a corrections facility separate, to the extent practicable, from persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held in custody pending appeal. The defendant shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity for private consultation with defense counsel. On order of a court of the United States or on request of an attorney for the Government, the person in charge of the corrections facility shall deliver the defendant to the United States Marshal for the purpose of an appearance in connection with a court proceeding.

PART IV – APPEALS AND THIRD-PARTY RELEASE

IT IS ORDERED that should an appeal of this detention order be filed with the District Court; it is counsel's responsibility to deliver a copy of the motion for review/reconsideration to Pretrial Services at least one day prior to the hearing set before the District Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if a release to a third party is to be considered, it is counsel's responsibility to notify Pretrial Services sufficiently in advance of the hearing before the Court to allow Pretrial Services an opportunity to interview and investigate the potential third party custodian.

Dated this 15th day of September, 2022.



Camille D. Bibles
United States Magistrate Judge